

**Charter Township of Ironwood
Regular Meeting
July 14, 2008**

At 4:00 p.m. Supervisor Estola called the meeting to order and the pledge of allegiance was said.

ROLL CALL: Supervisor Rick Estola, Treasurer Jyl Olson, and Clerk Gayla Salmi.

TRUSTEES: Marilyn Partyka, Bernie Brunello, John Suutala, and Frank Genisot.

ALSO PRESENT: Suzanne Coesfeld, Mary Czneah, LaVerne Przbysz, Brenda LaPlant, Lou Bonagura, Aarvo Toolanen, Marvin LaGrew, Darl D. Maki, Hartha Hughes, Deedra Niemi, Caroly Sabec- Traczyk, Teresa Armata, Linda Silvestri.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None agenda items. None.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA:

Additions to:

General Fund Vouchers:

Kim Mattson- Mileage	\$ 17.64
Rick's Muffler- Fire Dept.	\$ 292.25
Xcel Townhall/St. Lights	\$2560.58
Petty Cash – Various	<u>\$ 48.36</u>
Total	\$2918.83

Communications:

Received- Kathy Rooni

A motion was offered by Mr. Brunello supported by Mr. Suutala to accept the amendments to agenda as presented. The motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Minutes: Regular meeting- June 23, 2008.
- General Fund Vouchers: 29814 – 29896 totaling \$45890.80.
- Water Fund Vouchers: 7608-7613 totaling \$5902.55.
- Waste Water Fund Vouchers: 1071-1072 totaling \$8062.51.

A motion was offered by Mr. Genisot supported by Ms. Olson to accept the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

- Fire Department report – Fire Department, and Fire Bells raised funds for the match of \$1600. Portable pump grant of \$1600. A motion was offered by Mr. Brunello supported by Mrs. Partyka to pay \$805.27 from fundraising fund , in anticipation of \$1600. grant monies to reimburse the fundraising account.
- Supervisor's report- Blight issues E5026 Sunset Rd. has been notified of violation, the maintenance crew will proceed to mow the property. A question of a neighbor mowing and the Township paying the neighbor came up, and it was decided that for liability reasons, the township will continue to mow the blight noticed lots.
- PAUD- A regular meeting will be held on July 17th at 4:30 p.m. a rate study has been conducted, and the results will be discussed at this meeting.
- Treasurer's Report: A motion was offered by Ms. Salmi supported by Mrs. Partyka to accept the treasurer's financial report as presented. The motion carried
- Clerk's Report:
 - 2008 Perpetual Care Fund Budget was presented for adoption.

A motion was offered by Mr. Suutala supported by Mr. Brunello to adopt the 2008 Perpetual Care Budget. The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

- 2008 Special Grants Fund Budget was presented for adoption.

A motion was offered by Mr. Brunello supported by Ms. Olson to adopt the 2008 Special Grants Budget. The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

- 2008 Township Improvements Fund Budget was presented for adoption.

A motion was offered by Mrs. Partyka supported by Mr. Genisot to adopt the 2008 Township Improvements Fund Budget. The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A letter was received from Kathy Rooni regarding the Soils ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Rummage Sale-September 6, 2008.

A motion was offered by Mr. Genisot supported by Mr. Brunello to set September 6, 2008 as the annual Township wide rummage sale. The motion carried.

- Garbage: Ms. Olson reported that a request to remove two uninhabitable buildings be removed from the garbage assessment. E5122 and E5126 Sunset Road, and 1532 Lake Rd.

A motion was offered by Mr. Brunello supported by Mr. Genisot to remove the properties from the garbage assessment. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS – continued

- Ms. Olson reviewed the garbage rate structure, and the need to increase to \$14.50 per month a .50c increase. Cottage rate \$8.00 per month a .50c increase. Based upon a recent increase in rates from the Waste Management.

A motion was offered by Mr. Brunello supported by Mr. Suutala to increase garbage collection rates accordingly. The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jyl Olson addressed the mobile home water shut off issue. The local mobile home manager Laverne Przybysz Agreed to the water billings and make an effort to pay the mobile home court water bills monthly, this allows the township to leave the water service on, and take the arrears issue up with the landlord.

PUBLIC COMMENT:None.

At 4:31 p.m. a motion was offered by Mr. Brunello supported by Mr. Suutala to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

Rick Estola, Supervisor

Gayla Salmi, Clerk